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Crop Production August 1, 2005

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Iowa corn planting and crop development has remained ahead of a normal pace. By July, topsoil moisture supplies became a concern, particularly in eastern Iowa, and crop conditions began to deteriorate.

Corn: Iowa's corn planted and harvested for grain acreage is estimated at 13.0 million and 12.65 million acres, respectively. As of August 1, Iowa's corn crop is forecast to yield 164.0 bushels per acre. If realized, this would be Iowa's second highest yield, behind only 2004's 181.0 bushels per acre. Production forecasted at 2.07 billion bushels would be Iowa's second largest, 8 percent below last year's, but nearly 11 percent above 2003 production.

Soybeans: The August 1 yield forecast of 44.0 bushels per acre is down 5.0 bushels from 2004. If realized, soybean production would be 442.2 million bushels, down 11 percent from last year's production of 497.4 million bushels. This year, Iowa farmers planted 10.1 million acres of soybeans and intend to harvest 10.05 million acres.

Oats: Oat production is forecast at 10.8 million bushels, up from 10.1 million bushels last year. The forecast yield of 83.0 bushels per acre is an increase from the July 1 forecast of 80.0 bushels per acre. If realized, this would equal the highest oat yield in Iowa's history.

Other Crops: The hay yield for **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** is expected to be 4.0 tons per acre with a total production of 5.20 million tons, down 5 percent from 2004. The **other hay** yield is projected at 2.3 tons per acre with a total production of 575,000 tons, down 26 percent from 2004. The August 1 **apple** forecast of 1.3 million pounds is down 75 percent from the previous year.

Reminder: All crop forecasts in this report are based on conditions on August 1 and do not reflect any possible weather effects since that time. The next corn and soybean production forecasts, based on conditions as of September 1, will be released on September 12.

August 2005 Production Summary - Iowa and United States

Crop	For Harvest		Yield per acre		Production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>
IOWA						
Oats for Grain	140	130	72.0	83.0	10,080	10,790
Corn for Grain	12,400	12,650	181.0	164.0	2,244,400	2,074,600
Soybeans	10,150	10,050	49.0	44.0	497,350	442,200
Hay, all ¹	1,600	1,550	3.90	3.73	6,240	5,775
Alfalfa Hay ¹	1,300	1,300	4.20	4.00	5,460	5,200
UNITED STATES						
Oats for Grain	1,792	1,976	64.7	64.7	115,935	127,819
Corn for Grain	73,632	74,368	160.4	139.2	*11,807,217	*10,349,841
Soybeans	73,958	72,184	42.5	38.7	*3,140,996	*2,791,133
Hay, all ¹	61,916	61,723	2.55	2.43	157,774	149,917
Alfalfa Hay ¹	21,707	22,118	3.47	3.34	75,383	73,849

¹ Hay, all and Alfalfa Hay yields are in tons with production in thousand tons.

Iowa District Estimates

Corn, 2004-2005

District	Harvested		Yield/acre		Production	
	2004	2005 ¹	2004	2005 ²	2004	2005
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>
NW	1,869	1,892	186.8	184.0	349,200	348,100
NC	1,790	1,845	180.1	174.0	*322,400	321,000
NE	1,433	1,455	172.6	169.0	247,300	245,900
WC	1,834	1,895	179.1	165.0	328,400	312,700
C	1,818	1,885	188.9	184.0	343,400	346,800
EC	1,309	1,320	177.1	130.0	231,800	171,600
SW	996	995	183.4	156.0	182,700	155,200
SC	500	498	165.6	150.0	82,800	74,700
SE	851	865	183.8	114.0	156,400	98,600
STATE	12,400	12,650	181.0	164.0	2,244,400	2,074,600

Soybeans, 2004-2005

District	Harvested		Yield/acre		Production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ²	2004	2005
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>
NW	1,630	1,560	48.7	47.0	79,335	73,390
NC	1,403	1,365	45.2	43.0	63,420	58,730
NE	880	885	46.5	46.0	40,940	40,670
WC	1,594	1,645	47.7	44.0	76,070	72,340
C	1,506	1,505	51.7	47.0	77,840	70,800
EC	945	945	49.8	39.0	47,035	36,850
SW	940	930	51.0	44.0	47,920	40,950
SC	491	465	49.2	43.0	24,170	20,000
SE	761	750	53.4	38.0	40,620	28,470
STATE	10,150	*10,050	49.0	44.0	497,350	442,200

¹ Harvest for grain ² Yield rounded

U.S. Corn Supply and Demand

CORN	2003-2004	2004-2005 (Est.)	2005-2006 ¹ Projections Aug.
	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>
Beginning Stocks	1,087	958	2,110
Production	10,089	11,807	10,350
Imports	14	10	10
Supply, total	11,190	12,775	12,470
Feed & Residual	5,795	6,150	5,750
Food, Seed & Industrial	2,537	2,690	2,870
Domestic, total	8,332	8,840	8,620
Exports	1,900	1,825	1,950
Use, total	10,232	10,665	10,570
Ending Stocks, total	958	2,110	1,900
Avg. Farm price (\$/bu)	2.42	2.07	1.80-2.20

¹ Preliminary

U.S. Soybean Supply and Demand

SOYBEANS	2003-2004	2004-2005 (Est.)	2005-2006 ¹ Projections Aug.
	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>
Beginning Stocks	178	112	300
Production	2,454	3,141	2,791
Imports	6	5	3
Supply, total	2,638	3,258	3,094
Crushings	1,530	1,690	1,670
Exports	887	1,100	1,095
Seed	92	90	90
Residual	17	79	59
Use, total	2,525	2,958	2,914
Ending stocks	112	300	180
Avg. Farm price (\$/bu)	7.34	5.80	5.50-6.50

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